

District IV Commissioner Romney Rogers

Happy Thanksgiving! Thanks to our neighbors who participate in City activities, such as those described below.

District IV Participates in Make A Difference Day – This citywide day of service, held on Oct. 24, offered a number of different volunteer projects to enhance our community. Special thanks to Ray Dettmann, President of the Poinciana Park Civic Association, and Steve Buckingham, President of the Tarpon River Civic Association, for sending these pictures of their projects.

Right: Tarpon River worked on the Sara Horn Greenway and Tarpon River Park. Volunteers (pictured left to right) included Debbie and Alexia Sedaka, Robert Kinnard, Dara Sedaka, Carolyn Kinnard, Sibyl Cotton, Ralph Alter, Dave Rose, Janet Scraper, Amy Cox, Beverly Grant, and Maddie Cox. Photo credit goes to Brucie Cummings, volunteer photographer.



Above: The Poinciana Park clean-up included (pictured left to right) DJ Parker, Jim Mckillop, Mike Ramos, Ray Dettmann, Ed Carlisle, and Terrell Becker (foreground). John Barranco and Carlos Gonzalez sponsored the barbecue. Thanks to Cal Deal, volunteer photographer, for the photo.



Above: City Manager Lee Feldman (far left) and District IV Commissioner Romney Rogers (far right) join with Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler and leaders from the L.A. Lee YMCA to kick off Make A Difference Day.

Las Olas Boulevard Mobility Study – On Oct. 26, Commissioner Trantalis and I held a meeting, which was led by our Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM), to provide an update on the latest design concepts to help move vehicular traffic while improving pedestrian and bicyclist safety in the East Las Olas area. Links to the presentation and Frequently Asked Questions can be found at <http://fortlauderdale.gov/departments/transportation-and-mobility/transportation-division/building-community-today#lasolas>.

SE 17th Street Mobility Plan – On Nov. 9, I convened a public workshop with TAM staff to gather input for the SE 17th Street Mobility Plan. The City has partnered with local transportation engineers, Kittelson & Associates, Inc., to prepare the plan, which will propose short-, mid-, and long-term multimodal improvements for the causeway. The process is in the initial stages and there is plenty of time to provide your comments via this interactive website: <http://maps.kittelson.com/17thStreet>.

Update on Vacation Rentals – New Ordinance C-15-29, regulating short-term rentals, became effective Nov. 1. To register a vacation rental property, please go to <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/sustainable-development/code-compliance/vacation-rental-registration-program>.

City Board Vacancy – If you or someone you know would like to fill my current vacancy on the Community Services Board, click on this link to submit an online application: <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/city-clerk-s-office/advisory-boards-committees-applications-and-information>. Thank you.

Of Interest –

- **Manatee Season:** Nov. 15, 2015 to March 31, 2016. Please be mindful of the waterway signage and check your speed. For information, log on to <https://webapps.broward.org/newsrelease/AdminDisplayMessages.aspx?intMessageId=7435>.
- **Light Up the Beach:** Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 5:30 PM, A1A and E Las Olas.
- **Tour de Lights Family Fun Ride (at 5:30 PM) and Moonlight Movie (Elf at 7 PM):** Saturday, Dec. 5, Florence G. Hardy Park, 25 SW 9 Street.
- **Riverwalk's 5th Annual Stone Crab & Seafood Festival:** Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016, 11 AM - 5 PM, Esplanade Park.
- **Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off:** Jan. 30, 2016, 9 AM - 2 PM, Mills Pond Park, 2201 NW 9 Avenue, Fort Lauderdale.
- **Las Olas Sunday Market:** 9 AM - 3 PM at 333 E Las Olas. The market is on Facebook, for more information.

My City Hall Office Hours are Mondays from 2 - 5:30 PM and Tuesdays from 9 AM - Noon (in non-Commission weeks). To schedule a meeting, contact MJ Matthews at 954-828-5028 or mmatthews@fortlauderdale.gov.